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The Imposing Funeral of Mrs. Nancy McKinley.

STREETS CROWDED DESPITE RAIN.

The Church in Which the Services Were Held Was Packed, Hundreds Coming to Take a Last Look at the President's Mother.

CANTON, O., Dec. 15.—The funeral of Mrs. Nancy McKinley was the most imposing ever known in Canton. All business, public and private, was abandoned. Schools were closed, and city and county officers attended in a body.

It rained almost incessantly. But, regardless of the weather, the streets early began to fill with those who desired to attend the services, and it was evident that the large church would contain only a fraction of those who would seek admission. All the morning the express wagons continued to unload magnificent floral tributes, and nearly every train brought friends of the president and of the family to attend the services.

The members of the cabinet came here on a special train. The party was composed of Secretary of War Alger and Mrs. Alger, Secretary of the Interior Bliss, Attorney General McKenna and Mrs. McKenna, Postmaster General Cary, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson and Secretary to the President Porter and Mrs. Porter.

A crowd numbering thousands stood in the streets leading from the McKinley home to the First Methodist church and held their places, despite the rain. The church was packed, and hundreds stood outside while the ceremonies were being conducted.

The casket containing the remains was placed in front of the chancel rail, the solemn quartet of male voices chanting "Still With Thee." The Rev. E. P. Herbruck of Trinity Reformed church offered a fervent prayer. This was followed by the reading of the hymn, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," by the Rev. Milligan of the First Presbyterian church and the singing of the same by the quartet. The Rev. Dr. Hall of Trinity Lutheran church read a scriptural lesson, after which former Mayor R. A. Cassidy read the memorial adopted by the board of officers of the church of which Mother McKinley had so long been a member and the quartet sang "Lead, Kindly Light."

The Rev. Dr. Manchester, who was a comrade in arms of the president during the war as a member of the Twenty-third Ohio Volunteer Infantry and who has been the pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church for several years, delivered a short oration.

After the singing of "Nearer, My God, To Thee" the benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Dr. McAfee, pastor of the Broad Street Methodist church of this city, which the president attended as governor of Ohio.

The casket was then lifted, and the congregation, as well as those who had been unable to get to the church, filed past

## WARNER IS CAUGHT.

Johnny Conway's Kidnaping In the Toils at Last.

LOCATED AT RILEY, A KANSAS TOWN.

His Whereabouts Were Ascertained From a Man in New York, and Detective McCann Was Sent to Apprehend Him.

ALBANY, Dec. 15.—Albert S. Warner, the kidnaper of little John Conway, has just been captured at Riley, a small town in Kansas, by Detective Joseph McCann of the Albany police department.

The information which led to the capture of Warner was obtained in New York city last Thursday. On Friday Detective McCann went west and reached Kansas City Monday.

McCann telegraphed last night to Chief of Police Willard that he had Warner in custody and would bring him to Albany as soon as extradition papers can be secured.

Warner was in Philadelphia as late as a month ago, and before that was in Seabright, N. J., where he has a brother employed as a clerk in the Seabright inn.

The place was shadowed day and night for a long time, and finally Warner left and went to Philadelphia. There all trace of him was lost by the Albany police, and the trail was not picked up until last Thursday, when private information was secured.

The detective sent this dispatch: "I have Warner." The arch conspirator in the celebrated Conway kidnaping case, who has so successfully eluded all detectives, has finally been run to earth. The only surprising fact is that he has been so successful in dodging the police of the various cities, who have been constantly on the lookout for him.

Warner's fellow conspirators, Blake and Hardy, now in Clinton prison, were captured soon after the crime had been committed, but Warner, who was last seen in Schenectady, displayed his shrewdness and tact in the remarkable chase across the continent which has finally resulted in his being taken prisoner.

The particulars of his capture are not known, but the news of it caused Chief Willard to rejoice.

Last night he said that he wished to make public acknowledgment of the aid he received from Mr. James Farrell, who co-operated with the police and to whom credit is due for the capture of Warner.

Extradition papers will be sent to Kansas at once, and in a few days Warner will again be at the site of the crime to stand trial on the charge on which he was indicted months ago.

## Well Known Scholar Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Professor Arthur Palmer, LL. D., D. C. L., of Trinity college, Dublin, is dead. Dr. Palmer was born at Guelph, Canada, Sept. 14, 1841, being the fourth son of the late venerable Arthur Palmer, first rector of Guelph, archdeacon of Toronto. He married Miss Fanny Green of Cleveland in 1879. He was educated at Guelph Grammar school, Cheltenham college and Trinity college, Dublin. In 1880 he was appointed professor of Latin at Trinity college and in 1885 was public orator. He edited the "Satires of Horace," the "Amphitruon of Plautus and Cælius" in M. M. L. Parnassus series, and "Hermathena." He was also editor of "P. Ovidii Heroides XIV." and of "Sex. Propertii Elegia."

## Mormons Going to Mexico.

CHIHUAHUA, Mexico, Dec. 15.—It is announced here that representatives of the Mormon church of Utah have contracted with the Mexican government for the purchase of 3,000,000 acres of land in the Degollado district, in this state. It is the intention of the church to locate 40,000 Mormon colonists on the land within the next two years. Many of these colonists will come direct from Utah, but the greater number will be new converts to the Mormon faith from different parts of the United States.

## Wholesale Druggists Confer.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—About 100 wholesale druggists from the cities of the central west held a conference here to consider the "cut rates" at which drugs and patent medicines are being sold by the department stores, as well as by many retail druggists, and to take steps to stop the practice if possible. The protection of the retail dealer was another subject considered. George K. Hopkins of St. Louis was chosen secretary and J. E. Jones of Kansas City chairman of the conference.

## Card Players' Fatal Fight.

BISMARCK, Dec. 15.—Harry Wyman, a wood cutter, died from a ride shot wound inflicted by his brother. The three Wyman brothers had a squabble over a game of cards. Harry sought to kill the other two with an ax and was shot through the hips by the others, who have given themselves up to the authorities.

## Want Postal Savings Banks.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 15.—The committee on resolutions of the American Federation of Labor, now in session here, offered a resolution endorsing the establishment of postal savings banks by congress and advising the secretary to issue a circular urging immediate action in the matter.

## Alleged Horse Thief Caught.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Dec. 15.—George Seymour, who was indicted here for horse stealing and who escaped from custody by feigning a hypnotic sleep from which he could not be awakened, has been arrested in Canada.

## ANDERSON ALONE.

Will Be the Only One of the Olive Pecker Crew Charged With Murder.

NORFOLK, Dec. 15.—When the Olive Pecker mutiny case comes up for trial, there will be but one man of the crew of six to confront the charge, John Anderson, the cook, the confessed murderer of the captain and mate of the schooner, and who is also charged with burning the vessel. Several weeks ago two of the crew, Andrew Marsh and Martin Barstad, were acquitted of the charges against them and held as witnesses.

The other three, John Lind, William Hershburg and Manuel de Dios Borrial, were indicted as accessories to both murders and as principals in the destruction of the schooner. Yesterday the indictments against them were dismissed upon a motion by District Attorney White.

In making the motion Mr. White stated that "after conferring with seafaring men and learning the important position which the cook occupies on a merchant vessel, I have determined to accept the statement of these men that they were forced by John Anderson to throw the bodies of the captain and mate overboard after he had shot them and then to help burn the vessel, obeying his orders at the pistol point. In a word, I have reached the conclusion that the United States would not, under the circumstances, be justified in prosecuting these cases."

## CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Alexander McDonald, ex-minister to Persia, died at Lynchburg, Va.

Seattle has had the heaviest rainfall in its history. Floods are feared.

The second trial of Adolph Luetgert is now well under way at Chicago.

The Chicago aldermen raised their salaries from \$3 per week to \$1,500 per year.

The steamer Al Ki from Dyea reports that 40 tons of Klondike supplies have crossed Chilkat pass.

The Indiana men who lynched the five thieves at Versailles have been betrayed to Governor Mount.

Fred Ruback of Chicago confessed he had stolen nearly \$100,000 worth of horses and buggies in five years.

A British shoe factory of huge proportions will be established in Scotland to compete with the American trade in the United Kingdom.

The court of appeals at Albany has decided not to reopen argument in the Kingston railway case. This decision will affect several New York and Brooklyn companies unpleasantly.

## Uncle Seriously Assaults Nephew.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 15.—William Morse assaulted his nephew, Hugh Ricker, at Ashville, near this city, with a loaded riding whip, causing injuries which have since developed dangerous symptoms. Ricker has become unconscious, and an examination shows that his skull was fractured. He will probably die. Morse has been placed under arrest. A family quarrel of long standing was the cause of the assault. Ricker was walking along the street with his wife when attacked by Morse.

## Jail Delivery at Chambersburg.

CHAMBERSBURG, Pa., Dec. 15.—Seven prisoners escaped from the Franklin county jail last night by sawing through the roof. An underkeeper discovered their flight. He notified the sheriff, who in turn summoned the town constabulary. The names of the prisoners are Albert Alter, Albert Staley, Thomas Grant, Thomas Johnson, William Winters, William Burgess and Dancing Kid Tolson. Four of them were to have been taken to the Eastern penitentiary this week.

## Train Robbers Captured.

SILVER CITY, N. M., Dec. 15.—Wells-Fargo company's special officers and deputy United States marshals have captured in eastern Arizona five of the train robbers engaged in the attempted robbery of the Southern Pacific's Sunset flyer at Steins Pass last Thursday night. They will be brought to New Mexico for trial. The penalty for train robbery in this territory is death.

## To Publicly Rebuke Princeton Students.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 15.—The faculty of Princeton university yesterday decided to publicly rebuke the senior class because some of its members at the time of the class elections last Thursday night wrecked the Robert Bonner gymnasium on the campus, in which the meeting was held. This punishment for a class is unprecedented in the annals of Princeton.

## Is He Blodgett's Slayer?

SARATOGA, Dec. 15.—Buck Davis, a former convict and a desperate burglar, is under arrest here. Burglars' tools, dynamite, a loaded revolver and a mask were found on him. He drove here from Schuylerville with a "pal," who escaped. Davis is believed to be the murderer of George R. Blodgett, attorney of the General Electric company, at Schenectady.

## Registration Fraud Charged.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Josiah W. White, chairman of the Republican committee of ward 1, has filed with the board of election commissioners complaints of fraudulent registration in his ward. Mr. White charges that names of several dead men have been registered in addition to the names of many persons not known at the addresses given on the voting list. Charges of illegal registration in other wards have also been filed.

## Will Establish New Mail Service.

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, Dec. 15.—The house of representatives has passed a resolution submitted by the premier, the Hon. Richard J. Seddon, in favor of establishing a fortnightly mail service between Wellington and San Francisco and between Wellington and Vancouver, B. C.

## SUPERINTENDENT DISMISSED.

Summary Action by Trustees of Connecticut State School For Boys.

MERIDEN, Conn., Dec. 15.—The special meeting of the trustees of the State School For Boys resulted in the summary dismissal of the superintendent, Rev. G. L. Coburn. The meeting was held at the request of the resident trustees and was the result of information brought to light at the recent hearing of the special committee appointed to investigate state expenditures.

The board met in executive session, and after considerable questioning of the superintendent on the condition of affairs at the institution a resolution was passed asking Mr. Coburn for his resignation.

It is said he refused to tender it, and then by a vote of 6 to 4 he was summarily dismissed and Frank Perrin, assistant superintendent and bookkeeper, was appointed superintendent temporarily. Mr. Coburn had been superintendent nearly two years.

## Exiles May Return to Cuba.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The Spanish minister has received the following letter from General Blanco: "In addition to my cablegram of Nov. 27 I now add that your excellency can authorize consuls to issue passports for this island to all persons having emigrated who solicit them, without any exception save in cases of common crime. This applies to all political emigrants, both those who have emigrated voluntarily and those who consider themselves obliged to remain in exile for any purely political motive, reason, cause or act. In both cases your excellency can assure them that in this island their personal safety, their families and their estates will be guaranteed with the efficacy with which the government today protects and aids those who obey the laws."

## Adah Richmond's Case Heard.

BOSTON, Dec. 15.—Arguments were made by counsel in the case of Charles H. Pattee, executor, appellee, versus Adah Stetson, appellant, in the John Stetson will case before the full bench of the supreme court. This is the proceeding in which the appellant is endeavoring to establish that she is the widow of John Stetson, Jr., the theatrical manager, who died, leaving a will in which he left his property to his widow, Katharine Stokes Stetson, who died a few days after her husband. The court will render a decision later.

## Minister's Arm Amputated.

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 15.—As the result of an apparently trifling cut in his little finger Rev. Mr. Rappaport, rabbi of the Congregation Benai Scholom, Olive street, suffered the amputation of his left arm near the shoulder yesterday. Three weeks ago the rabbi accidentally cut himself slightly while preparing a bowl to be used in the services. Blood poisoning resulted, and it was finally decided that to save his life it would be necessary to amputate the arm. The case showed favorable symptoms after the operation.

## Haitians Insult German Officers.

PORT AU PRINCE, Dec. 15.—The German shipboard Stein sailed for Havana yesterday and the Charlotte for St. Thomas. There was a ball at the German legation, at which the national airs were played and speeches of a patriotic character made. The Haitian population was much enraged by the incident, and Haitian guards insulted officers of the warships as they were returning to their vessels. A fight was narrowly averted.

## William Rickard's Affairs.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 15.—Investigation into the affairs of William W. Rickard, the missing real estate dealer, who is said by his family to be resting in seclusion to recover his health, shows that his liabilities, so far as known, are about \$55,000, while the assets, in real estate wholly, will reach about \$30,000 if handled judiciously.

## Fire in Dover Castle.

DOVER, England, Dec. 15.—Fire was discovered in Dover castle yesterday. A strong wind was blowing, and the efforts of the entire garrison were not sufficient to prevent the flames from spreading. The property damage, however, was small. The fire did not reach the interesting historical portions of the castle.

## American Loses a Libel Suit.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Aloysius Joseph Gordon Kane, a former officer in the United States navy (L. D. of Harvard and for ten years a consul of Colombia, prosecuted T. A. C. Jackson in the Central criminal court yesterday on a charge of libel. Mr. Jackson was acquitted.

## Is Accused of Arson in Olean.

OLEAN, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Judge Parker has held Mark Salsburg for the grand jury, charged with arson in the first degree. Salsburg's store was burned some time ago. The stock was valued at about \$10,000 and was insured for that amount.

## James R. Haggin to Wed.

VERSAILLES, Ky., Dec. 15.—It is reported that Miss Pearl Voorhies, stepdaughter of J. M. Amson, a banker of this town, is engaged to marry the millionaire turfman, James R. Haggin. The wedding, it is asserted, is set for this week.

## She Robbed Vassar Students.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Cora Catharine Simmons, 24 years old, was sentenced to the Dutchess county jail for three months, having pleaded guilty to the charge of robbing Vassar college students on several occasions.

## Drank Whisky and Fell Dead.

GLOVERSVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 15.—Arthur Waters, 26 years old, drank 27 glasses of whisky in Northville and soon afterward dropped dead.

## BONA'S TURN NOW.

He Takes a Leaf From Martin Thorn's Notebook.

SAYS WEEKS WAS THE MURDERER.

The Accused Slayer Dramatically Tells the Story of His Life, and Says That His Mother-in-law Dissuaded Him From Honesty.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 15.—The second week of the trial of Charles A. Bona, who stands charged with murder in the first degree in the alleged killing of George Marcus Nichols, the Trumbull farmer, in July last, opened with Bona's opportunity to make a personal fight for his life.

For upward of three hours he detailed the chief acts in his 33 years of life, making no effort to conceal nor trying to palliate his crimes. The impression he created was varied, but there was no mistaking the expressions of sympathy of many of the women in the courtroom as he told of his repeated attempts to lead an honest life and how the mother of his wife begged him to return to the work at which he could make money more easily.

It was but a few minutes after high noon when State Attorney Fassenden, taking his seat, informed the witness then in hand that he was excused, and in a tone to be heard throughout the courtroom called out, "The state rests." All eyes were turned on James T. Lynch, chief counsel for the accused. The attorney without hesitation spoke out, "Charles Bona take the stand."

The prisoner arose and modestly made his way to the witness box, where, after being duly sworn, he seated himself and awaited the next move of his lawyer.

In response to questions by his lawyer the accused told his story. More often, however, he ran away from his questioner and seemed to be absorbed with his own recital, proceeding with remarkable rapidity over the years of his remarkable life. He spoke in clear and distinct tones and was an ideal witness for himself and tractable, as a rule, in the hands of his attorneys. Once or twice during his story he evinced some feeling. Reaching a point in which he found it necessary to say that he had wished to live an honest life, there was just a suspicion of tears to be detected, and the rapid winking of his eyes caused every one to believe that he was on the verge of tears.

He always recovered himself, however, and, after being on the stand an hour previous to the noon recess, had become accustomed to his environment and was well within himself. So minutely did he enter into the details of his career that he did not reach the time of the Nichols tragedy, and when court reassembled the prisoner again took the stand to continue the fight for his life.

When the court reassembling he, without further ado, commenced to rehearse the scenes and incidents connected with the murder. Up to the time of the actual committing of the crime both men's stories agreed. His story of how the robbery was planned; how they watched the house, lying in wait in the barn; their first entrance into the dwelling, all coincided with the story previously told by Weeks. But the contradictory point was reached when he came to tell about the shooting, of which he accuses Weeks. As told by the prisoner, both men held in their right hands 38 caliber revolvers as they forced open the door, which opened more easily than they anticipated.

"We landed in the middle of the floor," he testified, "and as we did so Mr. Nichols exclaimed, 'Get out of here.' We told him to hold up his hands, to which he responded by unexpectedly hitting me over the head with his lantern. This dazed me, and I dropped my revolver. Then Weeks fired two shots, and Nichols fell to the floor. Miss Nichols ran up stairs one flight and down another, and I followed her. "While I was up stairs I heard two more shots fired. I caught Miss Nichols in the hall and grabbed her by the arm and demanded some money. She told me where there was some up stairs, but I could not find it, and on coming down again and insisting upon getting some, she led me to her room up stairs, where she took from her hiding place the money she had saved. I then asked her if there was any money in her brother's room, and, pulling open some drawers in a small stand in his room, she gave me his money.

There were a number of papers, stocks and mortgages and the like scattered about that we did not touch. David Weeks came up stairs while I was riding Mr. Nichols' room, and we both returned down stairs together. I then gave Mr. Nichols some brandy, as he requested, though Weeks had given him some previously."

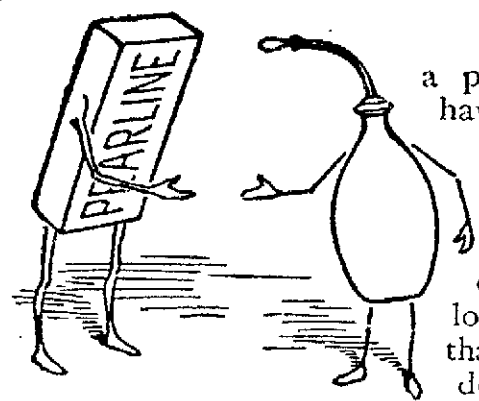
Witness then told of partaking of refreshments, as has been narrated by Weeks and Miss Nichols, but denied that he said to Miss Nichols, referring to her wounded brother, that "he couldn't be any younger."

He said Mr. Nichols asked them to call a doctor or notify a neighbor, which they both agreed to do. His story of their arrival home, their admittance into the house and dividing the plunder in his wife's room was similar to the story already told.

Killed in Train Collision.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Dec. 15.—The Panhandle passenger train for Chicago collided with a south bound freight near Royal Center last evening. Both engines were derailed and four freight cars thrown from the track. William Colner of Royal Center, riding in the baggage car, was killed. William Menhoun of Royal Center was badly injured. Several passengers were bruised in the shakeup.





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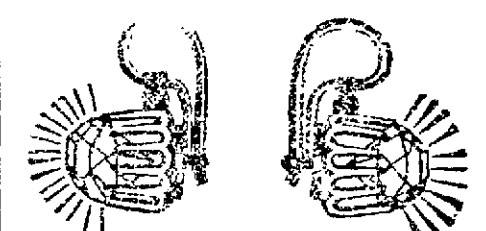
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## TWO BRIEF SESSIONS

Senate and House Adjourn Out of Respect to President.

## THE BANKRUPTCY BILL REPORTED.

Republican Representatives Who Favor Changing the Civil Service Law Hold a Meeting, Outline Their Action and Appoint Subcommittees.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The house, after a session of about two hours, adjourned out of sympathy for the president, whose mother was buried at Canton yesterday. The time of the session was devoted to the consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill. It was decided to postpone the consideration of the item providing for the maintenance of the civil service commission until after the other features of the bill had been considered.

It was a subject of the remarks made that the subject was being exhaustively debated. There is seemingly no disposition to curtail the discussion, and it probably will not be concluded before the holiday recess. So important is the topic that almost the entire time of the session has been devoted to the consideration of the question has been technically postponed, was consumed in debate upon it.

The administration bill to prohibit peddling sealing will not be urged any further in the house at present. There were signs of a hot conflict when Representative Hitt called up the bill the other day. It has been deemed best to await the action of the senate, where a similar bill is pending, and to push the senate measure when it comes over rather than to proceed with the house bill while the present antagonism exists.

The bankruptcy bill framed on the lines of the Henderson-Cahoon bill passed by the house at the last session, involving both voluntary and involuntary bankruptcy, was reported to the full committee.

The omnibus bill for the payment of an immense number of claims reported by the court of claims up to Dec. 6 under what are known as the Bowman and Tucker acts was favorably reported to the house by Mr. Gibson of Tennessee. The bill appropriates an aggregate sum of \$1,250,000 for the payment of claims for stores and supplies furnished the government during the civil war.

The special committee of Republican representatives in congress who are seeking to change the civil service law held its first meeting and outlined its action. It was determined to divide the work between two subcommittees, one to draft a bill changing the law and another to gather evidence on the defects of the present law. Its extension beyond the original purpose of the law, etc. The purpose of the latter committee is to make clear to the house when the subject shall come up that a change is imperative.

Chairman Grosvenor named as the subcommittee to frame a bill Messrs. Hepburn of Iowa, Pearson of North Carolina and Evans of Kentucky and as the subcommittee to examine into the defects of the law Messrs. Tawney of Minnesota, Odell of New York and Steele of Indiana. Their work will begin at once.

## Short Session of Senate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The senate was in session just 15 minutes, adjournment being taken out of respect to President McKinley. The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Hoar of Massachusetts.

## Postmasters Appointed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The following fourth class postmasters have been appointed: New Jersey—Calvin, Isaiah Augar; Valley, Simeon H. Smith; Pennsylvania—Chunhillville, Mrs. Helena C. Nell; Ellysburg, A. C. Keifer; Greentown, Samuel Hopps; Matamoras, G. H. Langston; Weirport, Joseph A. Fenner; Vermont—Post Mill Village, C. E. Flinders; New York—Altay, Frank W. Kendall; Hale Eddy, O. M. Kingsbury; Osborn, Bridgette George H. Wilbur; Queens, Oscar Denton; Westbury Station, Mrs. Sarah Kelsey.

## British Soldier Heavy Losses.

SIMLA, India, Dec. 15.—According to official dispatches from the northwest frontier, the march of General Westmacott's brigade from the camp at Sher Khet into the Sturi Khet country was one continuous action. The enemy closing up on the rear guard and kept firing at short range with great spirit. The British losses were heavy and included Lieutenant West of the Gurkhas, who was killed, and Lieutenant Champia, who was wounded.

## Congressional Reporter Resigns.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Andrew Devine, one of the official reporters of the house, has resigned his position to accept the position of vice-president and consulting director of the American Photographic company. The speaker has provisionally selected a Maine man as his successor. Mr. Devine is one of the most celebrated photographers in the country.

## Another Cabinet Out of Business.

LIMA, Peru, via Galveston, Dec. 15.—The entire Chilean cabinet has resigned. The event has caused a sensation. The cabinet was appointed last August to succeed the ministry formed on Aug. 9 under the premiership of Orrego Huco, which in turn succeeded the Antezun cabinet that retired on June 23 last, after an existence of about eight months.

## Weeden Gets a Long Term.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 15.—Frank Weeden was sentenced in the superior court to 18 years' imprisonment for assaulting a woman with a shotgun. Miss Daisy Calkins, a Brown university student of Auburn, his cousin, Weeden announced to the court that he was insane and questioned the right of the judge to sentence him under the circumstances.

## Will Admit Calfskins Free.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The secretary of the treasury has decided not to take an appeal to the courts from the recent decision of the board of general appraisers in which it was held that calfskins under the new tariff act should not be classified as hides, but as skins. Under this ruling calfskins will be admitted free of duty.

## INDIAN PRINCESS IN CANADA.

The Accomplished Daughter of a Noted Huron Chief.

The recent election of Philippe Vincent, or, as the tribesmen call him, "Tarion Wartesch," to the chieftainship of the Huron tribe at the Indian Lorette, near Quebec, has brought into prominence his pretty 17-year-old daughter, Eugenie, who is now recognized as the princess of the tribe. Princess Eugenie is a refined and well-educated miss, who converses freely in pure French and English, having had the advantage of eight years' thorough instruction in the convent of Charlebourg, near Quebec. She is bright and vivacious, and possesses a good, well trained soprano voice, which she uses with charming effect, while she skillfully plays her own accompaniments on either the organ or piano. Her father is a full-blooded Huron and her mother a French Canadian. Chief Philippe, the father of Princess Eugenie, is one of the pilots who takes the steamers through the Long Sault and Lachine rapids on the St. Lawrence, the "gift" as they call it, of piloting the rapids being hereditary. The chief possesses a number of heirlooms, among them being medals presented to her grandfather and great-grandfather by George IV., Edmund Kean, Queen Victoria, the prince of Wales and other notables. For visitors whom she fancies the princess will occasionally don her father's famous "chief's jacket," a couple of hundred years old, and his crown of feathers, and when her pretty face regally peeps out from beneath the great crown she forms a charming picture.

## Fatal Fire in Duryea.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 15.—The town of Duryea was nearly destroyed by fire, and W. H. Law, cashier of the Babylon Coal company, was burned to death. George Dill's stable and undertaking establishment, Simpson & Watkins' general store, and James Connell's livery, five frame houses, Gresham's drug store, Don Gregory's hotel, the blacksmith shops of Henry Cox and William Warren and Stuckey's barber shop were all destroyed, the loss being about \$75,000. The business portion of the town was almost wiped out.

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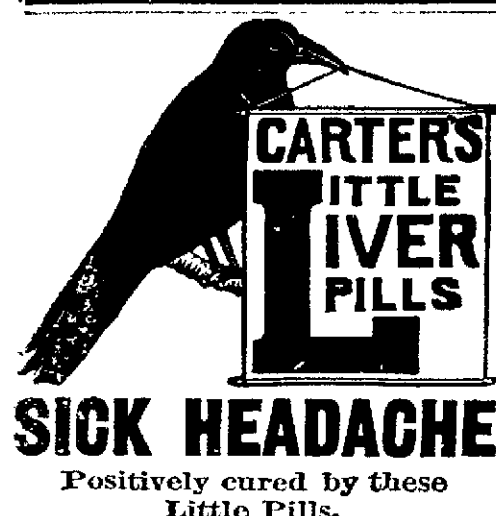












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"Naturally, it ain't likely that anybody does," said the man in the red, blue, green, pink, yellow and purple Mackinaw jacket, "but any fever that ever got mixed up with folks on the Sinnemahone an' didn't kick must a been of setch a mild an' forgivin' a disposition as to make it a shame to feed quinine to it."

"Thanks, Mackinaw," said the man from over Sinnemahoning way. "Your gentle humor goes far toward dissipating a certain sadness and tendency to abstraction and a fit of the blues that always assail me when I think of that kicking fever of the Sinnemahone, and I thank you! When I see the fertile acres of the Jephthah Biffkins estate spreading along the Sinnemahoning's classic bottom and think how they would now all be mine but for that kicking fever I am prone to sadness. But you've knocked 'em silly this time, Mackinaw."

"Yes, yes. Those rich Jephthah Biffkins acres would now be mine but for that kicking fever that came to the Sinnemahone country. These acres then belonged to Deacon Judd Peeler, and the deacon's daughter Nancy had promised to be my wife, and Nancy was heir to all the wide Peeler estate. So when I think—but let that pass. It is all over now."

"Wherever that most singular ailment could have come from no one ever knew, but it certainly cut a wide swath along the Sinnemahone. I was off down the river when it began its attack, and consequently I didn't know anything about it until I got back home a couple of weeks later. The first person it struck was Uncle Billy Tope. Uncle Billy was a mild and easy-going citizen that no one would have thought had any life in him at all, and he was a strict teetotaler. Consequently you may imagine the astonishment of Squire Bunker, who owned the sawmill where Uncle Billy worked, to see the old man coming up the road one day, giving a tremendous kick every two or three steps he took, sometimes to the right and sometimes to the left, as if he might have started out to kick all creation into the middle of next week. Squire Bunker was scared, and he edged off to one side of the road as Uncle Billy came along, kicking and scuffling and looking as wild as an Indian. The squire ventured to say as the old man was coming by: "What's up, William?"

"Uncle Billy only shook his head, and giving a kick that didn't miss the squire's jaw by more than half an inch, went on his way toward home, kicking as he went."

"Astounded!" exclaimed the squire. "I never thought I'd live long enough to see Uncle Billy Tope turn out to be a drinker!"

"Then the squire started for home. He hadn't gone a hundred yards before he began to feel a little mullish himself, and the first thing he knew he was kicking away as unreasonably as Uncle Billy. He couldn't stop it any more than he could have stopped his mill race with a three-inch plug. The squire could reach out and open his door he could kicked it open with a bang, and his wife came running out of the kitchen to see what was the matter."

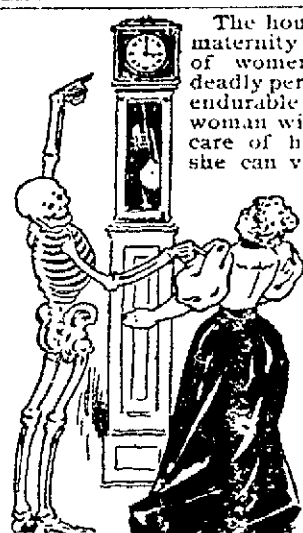
"Clear the way, mother!" the squire hollered. "Give me room! Don't get in my way or I'll make a widower of myself at one swoop!"

"The squire's wife, scared almost to death, locked herself up in a closet, and the squire kicked his way out of the back door and brought up in the garden, where he yelled for some one to come and tie him down, or else turn him into a ten-acre lot where he could have room."

"And that's the way that most unaccountable kicking fever started along the Sinnemahone. In less than a week it had taken a whack at almost every man, woman and child in that ballistics. The kicking was only the preliminary symptom of the fever. After the victim had kicked high and kicked low, and to the windward and to the leeward, for half an hour or so, the fit would pass away, but it would come back again after awhile. The kicking stage of the epidemic lasted two days, and then the second stage came on. This was a scorching fever. Sam Betts, when he got over his attack, declared that his fever was so hot that his wife had to keep the sheets wet to prevent their catching fire, but Sam wasn't a native of the Sinnemahoning country. He was from this side of the mountain somewhere, and folks didn't believe him. The fever lasted a day, and left behind it a consuming longing for something to drink—not water nor coffee nor tea nor milk, but rum, rye, apple juice, anything that had tooth and edge to it. This strange symptom of the malady was discovered in a startling way. Dominic Dibble was the first victim that it developed in. One evening while half a dozen of his flock were mungling their sorrow with the dominion's over his affliction he suddenly shouted:

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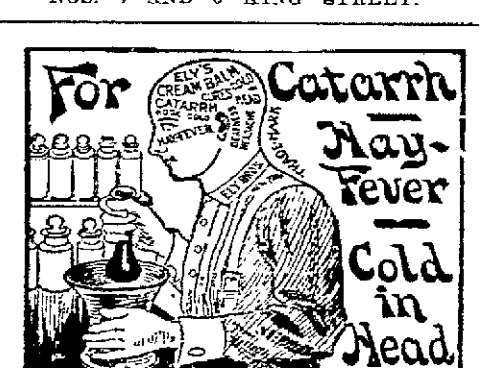
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"During the time the fever lasted three leading citizens of the Sinnemahone were carried off in their bloom by it, not one of whom even had the consolation of enjoying the treatment for the last stage. First, there was Abram Hinkle. When the kicking fever first struck the district, the doctor said that the harder the victims had to kick the better it would be for them, for if they couldn't kick hard it would strike in and that would be the end of 'em. The kicking always came in the right leg. Now Abram Hinkle didn't have any right leg, it having been taken off clean in the saw mill. When the attack seized him he couldn't kick. It struck in and away he went."

"Next was Simon Shelly. Simon swore by Elijah Pink, the horse doctor, who could cure anything, according to Simon's belief. Elijah had cured a kicking horse for Simon one time by rigging him to some sort of a contrivance that threw him every time the horse kicked. Simon made up his mind that he was just as apt to have the kicking fever as his neighbors were, so he sent for Elijah to ride against it. He had Elijah fit him with a rigging something like the one that cured the kicking horse. The very next day the ailment seized him. Simon was standing by a window in his house. He gave one tremendous kick. The rigging worked. It threw Simon. It threw him out of the window and head first into a barrel of rain water that stood beneath it. They didn't discover Simon in time, and that made two fellow citizens the epidemic carried away."

"His third victim was Erastus Sleeper. Erastus went out to milk his cow one evening, and just as he began the kicking fever took hold of him. He shot out a kick. It hit the cow in the shin. The disease was so very contagious that just that one kick gave it to the cow. The cow kicked. Her kick landed in Erastus' stomach, and knocked the wind out of him so far they couldn't get it back. Erastus' widow married Jeff Hower, the sheep-pelt buyer."

"Well, this brings me round to my own deep disappointment. Jephthah Biffkins had been paying more attention to Deacon Peeler's daughter Nancy than seemed to me safe, and when I came back home that time I made up my mind I'd settle the matter right then and there and know whether Nancy was destined to be a Biffkins or a Pettibone. I went straight to the deacon's that very evening, before I had been home half an hour. This was just at the time the kicking fever was getting in its best licks, but I didn't know a thing about it. Nancy was home, and I hadn't been there long before she had promised that her name should be Pettibone. I was happy, I tell you, and just before I got ready to go Deacon Peeler himself came in. We had a very cheering talk for a minute or two, and I started to go. Just as I opened the door I felt a tremendous shock, and at the same time I rose in the air more than three feet. When I landed I was standing out in the yard. Before I had come entirely to I felt the shock again. Again I was lifted and swept several feet further out in the yard. Then I looked back. Nancy's father was just behind me with a queer look on his face. His right foot rose up and shot out, and the shock came a third time. Deacon Peeler was as strong as an ox, and his foot was shod with a No. 12 cowhide boot. This time the shock lifted me over the gate and set me down in the road. Nancy had come running from the house, and she cried out:

"Father ain't kicking you, Praxy!"

"It's only the fever that's workin' on him! He ain't kicking you!"

"Well! If he wasn't kicking me I didn't know what they called kicking along the Sinnemahone, and I think I made a remark to that effect as I hurried home in sorrow and went to bed. Next day I heard about the kicking fever for the first, and then I knew what Nancy had meant when she declared that her father wasn't kicking me. I went right back with a heart lighter than a feather, but Nancy made it heavy as lead in less than half a minute."

"Praxiteles Pettibone!" she said, "you went and ran away from father last night when he was sick and suffering! You're too heartless for me!"

"That ended it all between Nancy Peeler and me. The kicking fever had done it—although, as I remember it now, I saw Deacon Peeler out in his garden hoeing potatoes that morning, as quiet and steady as ever he was. But Nancy married Jephthah, and the broad acres of old Deacon Peeler to this day spread themselves out over yonder along the Sinnemahone as the Biffkins estate, actually calm and peaceful and smiling, as if they hadn't missed the opportunity of being this day on the tax list in the name of Praxiteles Pettibone."—N. Y. Sun.

Convenience of Language.

The Count—I had been told, madam, your daughter had a bad temper.

The Mamma—Ah, yes, count, but you know she loses her temper so easily.

"Ah, how leafy!"—Detroit Free Press.

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## Middletown Gas and Electric Light Co.

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In Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, action is hereby taken, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Luanda Horton Youm, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present to the same, with the proper vouchers therefor, to the subscriber, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, at his office, No. 15 East Main street, in the city of Middletown, on or before the 15th day of April next.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Oct. 12, '97.

GEO. H. LEACH, Executor.

In Pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the county of Orange, action is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of Dwight W. Berry, late of the city of Middletown, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present to the same, with the proper vouchers therefor, to the subscriber, the administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at her place of residence, in the city of Middletown, on or before the 1st day of June next.

Dated Middletown, N. Y., Oct. 12, '97.

MARY S. BERRY, Administratrix.

S. M. BOYD, Attorney for Administratrix.

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## New To-day.

Splendid Cauliflower, Green Beans, Potato Chips, Saratogas; Boston Head Lettuce, Beets, Parsnips, Carrots, Vireland Sweet Potatoes, fancy new crop New Orleans Molasses, choice Porto Rico Molasses try our 12c Coffee, a bargain; Bull & Youngblood's Baking Powder, the leader, etc.

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—Chicago News

**A Definition.**  
Johnny—Papa, what is a faction?  
Papa—It is a term used to describe  
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not belong.—Puck.

**Rheumatism Cured in 24 Hours.**  
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## QUARRYING GRANITE AT POCHUCK

Busy Times at the Quarries of the Empire State Granite Co.—Building a "Bloodin'."

Correspondence of ARGUS and MERCURY.

A representative of the Argus and Mercury, while traveling in the interest of these papers, had occasion recently to visit the Empire State Granite Co.'s quarry located at Pochuck, a short distance below Pine Island.

The quarry from the Lehigh and Eastern Railroad is now practically complete which will enable this company to load the granite blocks on the flat cars and deliver them at Goshen to be finished at its yard. Through the courtesy of Dan Leonard, foreman, and Wm. Haley, the general proprietor of the Pochuck Hotel, I was shown through the quarries where at least 125 men were at work dressing up large blocks of granite for St. Joseph's Park, several of the city docks, and the new post office at Paterson, N. J.

The company is now building a "Bloodin'" a name which may require explanation. As every one knows, the quarries are located on a side hill which is so steep as to be almost perpendicular. A tower, seventy-five feet high and twenty feet square at the base, is erected close to the railroad tracks and another tower, not so high, is erected at or near the summit of the hill, where it is firmly anchored to the surrounding rocks. A cable of the best and strongest make, from 800 to 1,000 feet long and capable of sustaining fifteen tons' weight, is stretched from one tower to the other with a decline towards the lower one. With the aid of a stationary engine at the top of the hill it is possible to grapple a large block of granite and let it down gradually on the cable to be loaded on cars or trimmed on the ground as the necessity may require.

The Pochuck Granite Company, of which T. S. Barnes is manager, with an office at 186 Remsen street, Brooklyn, and B. J. Mallon, superintendent, is the pioneer of the granite industry of Orange Co. The Empire State Granite Company is a much younger concern and has purchased one acre of the finest granite ever discovered in this State.

John Kinnely, foreman at the quarry, and Ed. O'Donnell, foreman at the Goshen yard, are both experts from eastern quarries and are the right men in the right place.

The company employs seventy-five men at present and with plenty of orders its quarries are the busiest places in Orange county.

## CASINO FIRE PROTECTION.

Manager Corey states that it is as complete as could be desired.

Manager Corey, of the Casino, feels aggrieved that Alderman Bastian and Chief Higham should have thought it necessary to order firemen behind the scenes at the Casino, Monday and Tuesday nights, with fire extinguishers. He did not know the firemen were there on Monday night, and Tuesday night they were not allowed on the stage.

Manager Corey says:

"Why such an effort at making the Casino out a fire trap? Would it have been attempted had a first class metropolitan opera packed the house with several hundred more people than were there on either night of this local production? It never has been attempted before now. As to fire protection. At the pressing of a button by the man at the lights, the engineer would turn on a flood of water in five dry pipes in the flies, pipes punctured with holes as large as a lead pencil, which would effectively drown everything on and above the stage. A half dozen stage hands stand ready to man six coils of hose which would operate by the simple turning of a lever. There are twenty-one fire extinguishers in all parts of the stage, and sixteen pails of water ready for instant use.

"Now will you tell me what is the use of trying to parade the Casino as a fire trap?"

## ORGAN RECITAL AT GRACE CHURCH

Dr. Carl Martin, the Well Known Basso, will sing several solos.

At the organ recital to be given in Grace church on Thursday evening of this week at eight o'clock by Harvey Wickham, Dr. Carl Martin will render several solos. We append a few notices which have recently appeared in the metropolitan journals about this celebrated artist.

"Dr. Martin sang the part allotted to him in his usual rich voice, manly style and intelligent phrasing."—*Musical Courier*.

"Dr. Martin has a basso cantante of harmonious quality, smooth and full, and sings with taste and evident artistic appreciation."—*New York World*.

"Dr. Martin, the solo basso, sang admirably Beethoven's 'In Quest of the Nations' and Handel's 'Why Do the Nations Rage?' Dr. Martin's noble voice and very chaste manner appear to supreme advantage in this piece."—*New York Tribune*.

There will be no charge, but a silver collection will be taken and all lovers of music will be made welcome.

## Salt Rheum Cured.

"I had salt rheum on my hands so that the skin would break open and bleed. I read so much about Hood's Sarsaparilla I determined to try it, and I have never been troubled with salt rheum since I began taking it. My boy had sores on his face, but Hood's cured him."—Mrs. ELMER WILCOX, Peterburg, N. Y.

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Writing to Mrs. Pinkham.

She says:—I have been using your Vegetable Compound and find that it does all that it is recommended to do. I have been a sufferer for the last four years with womb trouble, weak back and excoriations. I was hardly able to do my household duties, and while about my work was so nervous that I was miserable. I had also given up in despair when I was persuaded to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and to-day, I am feeling like a new woman.—Mrs. ELLA M'GARVY, Neebe Road Station, Cincinnati, O.

## HOMESLEAD B. &amp; L. ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting Held at the Assembly Rooms, Tuesday Evening—A Good Showing.

The Homestead Building and Loan Association held its annual meeting Tuesday evening at the Assembly Rooms. The annual report was given out and explained by Secretary Leonard. The assets are \$347,321.06, of which \$276,500 is invested in bond and mortgage and \$29,089.36 on collateral notes. The receipts of the year have been \$96,494.90, and the earnings \$20,546.72.

—There are 3,523 shares in thirteen series. The first series has now a book value of \$154, and will mature within two years. The earnings of the several series are as follows:

	Total Earnings.	Book Value
First.....	\$46 00	\$154 00
Second.....	35 88	131 88
Third.....	26 11	110 11
Fourth.....	18 33	90 33
Fifth.....	12 36	72 36
Sixth.....	7 66	55 66
Seventh.....	5 65	47 65
Eighth.....	4 03	40 03
Ninth.....	2 85	32 85
Tenth.....	1 83	25 83
Eleventh.....	1 00	19 00
Twelfth.....	47	12 47
Thirteenth.....	12	6 12

On motion it was decided to change the article in the constitution, providing for a quorum of the trustees, so that five instead of eight shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

After the routine business had been completed the election of officers took place as follows: J. D. Rockafellow declining further service as president on account of his health:

President—R. V. Wolf.  
Vice Pres.—F. P. S. Crane.  
Treasurer—C. J. Boyd.  
Secretary—H. J. Leonard.  
Trustees—James Cral, C. S. Abrams, T. S. Lin, Archibald Taylor, Fred S. Rogers.  
Auditors—J. H. King, H. B. Woodward, Philip Whitlock.

Trustees holding over—Jacob Gunther, Edwin McWilliams, H. S. Spooner, F. O. Tompkins, James H. Conkling, S. D. Hampton, Thomas A. March.

C. M. Winchester moved for a committee of six to examine and report to the trustees on a change in the constitution regarding the paying off of loans before maturity.

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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WEEK OF DEC. 13.

Matinees at 3. Evenings at 8.

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MIDTOWN SAVINGS BANK—Money deposited on or before the 10th days of January and July, and the 30 days of April and October, will draw interest from the 1st.

CHAS. J. EYERSON, successor to William W. R. A. Surveyor and Civil Engineer, office No. 5 King street, Middletown.

J. W. WORCESTER, M. D., late of New York city. Fine Dentistry in all its branches. Expert in the use of gas and extraction.

HENRY C. MORRIS, D. S. Gas administrator. Office over Savings Bank, Middletown, N. Y.

DONALDSON—On the first day of December, 1897, the firm of Thomas C. Royce & Fred C. Donaldson, Middletown, N. Y., was dissolved by mutual consent. The business was continued by Dr. Thomas C. Royce, who will be assisted by Dr. A. Freeman Froese, late of Brooklyn, N. Y. Dr. Froese is making a specialty of the eye, ear, nose and throat, and is familiar with the application of electricity in the use of anastomosing and other dental operations. Crown and bridge work and dentistry in all its branches will receive prompt and careful attention at this office, corner of Main and South streets, over National Express Co.'s office.

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## Carefully Reared.

Fond Mamma—I am glad you had such a nice time at Mrs. Tiptop's and I hope she noticed how carefully you had been brought up. You did not ask a word for desert did you?

Small Son—No, indeed, ma. I didn't ask for anything. I finished a dish and began scraping the sauce with the spoon and in a minute my lips the waiter came and brought me some more without saying a word.—N. Y. Weekly.

## Appropriate.

Foreman—Ole Hardscrabble, whose boy, blowed into a gun yesterday to see if it was loaded, wants some poetry run with the ordinary notice. Got anything to dit?

Editor—What's the matter with "Little Boy Blow?"—N. Y. World.

Her Serious Disadvantage.  
Barkdale—I don't see how an unmarried woman ever makes up her mind about buying anything.

Barkdale—No?

Barkdale—No; you see, she can't find out what her husband doesn't want.—Chicago Journal.

## DIED

HOWELL—In New York, Dec. 13th, '97, Mrs. Father Post, widow of the late Carpenter Howell, of Goshen aged sixty-seven years. Funeral Thursday morning, at ten o'clock, from the home of her son, DeWitt T. Howell, Murray avenue, Goshen. Interment at Amity.

FRED O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 99 North street. Telephone No. 8. Lady assistant, New York office 154 East 23d street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.

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## NEW TO-DAY.

BOWLING at Columbia Park Thursday evening. Tickets at Pross's with roller. 1c.

ALL Members of Wallkill Council, Jr. O. U. A. M., are requested to meet at lodge rooms, Thursday evening, Dec. 15th, as business of importance is to be transacted. By order of Council, CHAS. E. DECKER, R. S.

THE MISSES PORTER will sell their household furniture at the school building, No. 66 East Main street, every day from 3:30 to 5 o'clock P. M., until all but the school furniture is disposed of.

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MUSICAL Instruction on mandolin, piano, violin, guitar, harp, flute by VINCEN MAGGIO, 64 North street, second floor.

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Rubber Balls 10, 15, 25c.

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Toy Laundry Sets 10, 25, 45c.

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Leather Cigar Holders 35, 45c.

Prepared Palms and Grasses 50c up.

Umbrella Tiles for Halls 95c.

Nickle Nut Picks 10c a set.

Nut Picks and Crackers 25, 39, 49c.

Cigar Stands, all kinds, 25c up.

Decorated Ash Trays 65c.

Fine Box Writing Paper 15, 25, 45c.

Celluloid Cuff and Collar Boxes 95c.

Dresser Sets, with 3 Doylies to match, 50c to \$1.65.

Silver Novelty Lamps, with shade, 25c.

Silver Tipped Brush Brooms 19, 25c.

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Glass and Metal Weights 19c up.

## SEASONABLE GOODS.

That will go to hundreds of homes at prices figured down to the lowest notch of economy. A few of the many low prices we are making this month.

480 Ladies' Flannellette Wrappers at 50c, \$1.45. The best value ever shown by any store.

108 tailor made Satara Umbrella Underskirts 95c., \$1.25, \$1.45, \$1.65, \$1.95. Couldn't be better made.

600 Yards all wool Black Dress Goods at 35, 44, 59, 89c a yard. Less than the whole sale price.

Novelty Dress Patterns at \$1.95, \$2.98, \$6.98, including all the linings.

25 Styles Silk Waist Patterns in 5-yard lengths of our elegant 98c quality, including all the linings, for \$4.95.

75 Pairs Shaker Flannel and Wool Blankets at 49, 75, 95c., \$1.95, \$2.25, \$3.98. The best values ever shown by any firm at the price.

50 Fine Taffeta and Gloria Silk close roll Umbrellas, with the latest swell handles, would make an elegant Christmas present, \$1.45, \$1.95, \$2.50.

Pretty Dressing Sacques in grey, cardinal, pink, light blue and dainty stripes, perfect fitting, at 89, 95c., \$1.19, \$1.45.

25 Dozen White Aprons, blue for the holidays, 25 and 45c each.

11,000 Handkerchiefs for the holidays. But the special numbers we have at 10, 15, 25 and 45c. The best value ever shown by any firm at the price.

Odd Lots and broken sizes from our Outing Underwear Sale at less than cost to close.

30 Dozen Ladies' Fast Black Seamless Fleece Lined Hosiery, double heels, 15c a pair, 2 pair for 25c.

Stamped Linens in all the novel holiday designs—Tray Cloths, Doylies, Scarfs and Center Pieces at the close margin prices that has made this store famous.

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## X-Mas Presents</